

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-17. Cancelled.

18. (Currently Amended) A handheld computer, comprising:
a housing configured to be held in a hand during use;
a display supported by a front surface of the housing;
cellular telephone electronics;
computing electronics configured to operate a personal information management application; and

a plurality of light sensors configured to convert ambient light into signals to be received by the computing electronics;

wherein the computing electronics are configured to generate a conditioned signal based on the signals received from the plurality of light sensors.

19. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 18, wherein the computing electronics are configured to adjust a characteristic of the handheld computer based on signals from at least one of the plurality of light sensors.

20. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 19, wherein the characteristic comprises a brightness of the display.

21. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 19, wherein the computing electronics are configured to adjust at least one other characteristic of the handheld computer based on signals from at least one other of the plurality of light sensors.

22. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 18, wherein the computing electronics are configured to operate a plurality of personal information management applications comprising contacts and a calendar.

23. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 22, wherein the computing electronics are further configured to provide word processing, spreadsheets and a calculation application.

24. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 18, wherein the plurality of light sensors are coupled to a back surface of the housing.

25. (Cancelled)

26. (Currently Amended) The handheld computer of Claim 18, further comprising a plurality of input buttons in fixed positions relative to the display, wherein the computing electronics are configured to adjust a brightness behind the plurality of input buttons based on signals from at least one of the plurality of light sensors.

27. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 18, wherein the display comprises a touch screen.

28. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 18, wherein the computing electronics are configured to average a plurality of signals from at least one of the plurality of light sensors.

29. (Currently Amended) A handheld computer, comprising:
a housing configured to be held in a hand during use;
a display supported by a front surface of the housing;
cellular telephone electronics;
a plurality of input buttons in fixed positions relative to the display;
computing electronics configured to operate a plurality of personal information management applications and other applications; and
a light sensor configured to convert light into signals to be received by the computing electronics, wherein the computing electronics are configured to adjust a characteristic of the handheld computer based on signals from the light sensor;

wherein the characteristic comprises a brightness behind the plurality of input buttons.

30. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 29, wherein the characteristic comprises a brightness of the display.

31. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 30, wherein the computing electronics are configured to average a plurality of signals from the light sensor.

32. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 29, further comprising a second light sensor configured to convert light into signals to be received by the computing electronics, wherein the computing electronics are configured to adjust at least one other characteristic of the handheld computer based on signals from the second light sensor.

33. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 29, wherein the light sensor is disposed on a front surface of the housing, further comprising a second light sensor disposed on a back surface of the housing.

34. (Previously Presented) The handheld computer of Claim 33, further comprising a plurality of additional light sensors disposed on a back surface of the housing.

35. (Cancelled)

36. (Currently Amended) A cellular telephone, comprising:
a housing;
a display supported by a front surface of the housing;
~~a plurality of input keys below at least one input key in a fixed position relative to~~
the display;
cellular telephone electronics;

computing electronics configured to operate a plurality of personal information management applications comprising a contacts application and a calendar application and further configured to operate other applications; and

a light sensor disposed on the housing configured to convert light into signals to be received by the computing electronics, wherein the computing electronics are configured to adjust a property or characteristic of the cellular telephone based on signals from the light sensor;

wherein the characteristic comprises a brightness behind the at least one input key.

37. (Cancelled)

38. (New) The handheld computer of claim 18, wherein the computing electronics are configured to generate the conditioned signal by ignoring a signal from one of the plurality of light sensors.

39. (New) The handheld computer of claim 38, wherein the ignored signal is a signal identified as aberrant.

40. (New) The handheld computer of claim 18, wherein the plurality of light sensors are provided on the same surface of the housing.

41. (New) The handheld computer of claim 40, wherein the plurality of light sensors are provided on a front surface of the housing.

42. (New) The handheld computer of claim 32, wherein the computing electronics are configured to generate a conditioned signal based on the signals received from the first and second light sensors.

43. (New) The handheld computer of claim 42, wherein the computing electronics are configured to generate the conditioned signal by ignoring a signal from one of the first light sensor and the second light sensor.

44. (New) The handheld computer of claim 42, wherein the computing electronics are configured to generate the conditioned signal by computing an average of the signals received from the first and second light sensors.

45. (New) The handheld computer of claim 44, wherein the average is a weighted average.

46. (New) The cellular telephone of claim 36, wherein the at least one input key is provided on a portion of the display and is configured to perform preprogrammed functions.